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Remarks

Reconsideration of the rejection of and the objection to the present patent application is hereby requested.

Applicant confirms election of claims 1-5, invention I, without traverse.

The drawings stand objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because they fail to show flange 28 in figure 1, as described on page 13 of the specification. An amended drawing showing figure 1 with the number for flange 28 included thereon, as a replacement sheet, is included under a separate cover. Approval of such replacement sheet is earnestly solicited.

The specification stands objected to an informality on page 14, line 16. Such informality has been corrected by the corrective amendment of that paragraph containing the informality. Withdrawal of such objection is requested.

The disclosure also stands objected to because there is no explanation for the structural element 46 in figure 2. The specification has been amended on page 14 thereof, changing numeral "48" to number "46", thereby correcting the informality. It was merely a typographical error. Withdrawal of the objection is requested. Figure 2 and the specification are now in agreement.

The claims 1 – 5 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by the reference to Barry (US 5,251,766). Claim 1 has been amended to positively recite the invention as "a poster support and lift tool" arrangement for providing hanging support to a poster from a ceiling rail.

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The '766 reference fails to show or suggest such a combination. Therefore, such rejection of the independent claim 1 and those claims depending therefrom is believed overcome. Withdrawal of such rejection of the claims under 35 USC 102(a) is thus earnestly solicited.

The specification, drawings and claims are now believed to have been amended to overcome both the objections thereto and also the rejection under 35 USC 102(a). As such, the application is believed to now be allowable. Such action is now solicited and passage to allowance is requested. Should the Examiner believe any issue remains unresolved, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned for a discussion of same.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Halgren", written over a horizontal line.

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